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SUBJECT: AFGHANISTAN BID FOR UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL

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1. EMBASSY OF AFGHANISTAN HAS DELIVERED NOTE REQUESTING USG SUPPORT FOR CANDIDACY TO UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL SEAT IN UPCOMING ELECTIONS AT THE 64TH ECOSOC. TEXT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEPARTMENT'S NOTE IN REPLY FOLLOWS VERBATIM:

2. QUOTE THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE ACKNOWLEDGES THE RECEIPT OF NOTE NO. 1681 OF FEBRUARY 6, FROM THE EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN REQUESTING THE SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR THE CANDIDATURE OF AFGHANISTAN FOR A SEAT ON THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM DURING THE ELECTIONS WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE 64TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL.

THE EMBASSY MAY BE ASSURED THAT THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WILL GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO THE CANDIDACY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE CALLS THE ATTENTION OF THE EMBASSY OF AFGHANISTAN TO THE USUAL PRACTICE OF THE UNITED STATES

IN SUCH INSTANCES, WHICH IS TO DEFER TAKING A POSITION UNTIL THE PREFERENCES OF THE RELEVANT REGION HAVE BEEN INDICATED WITH REGARD TO THE CANDIDATES ELIGIBLE FOR ELECTION FROM A GIVEN GROUP UNDER THE PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED TO IDENTIFY GROUP MEMBERSHIP IN EACH UNITED NATIONS BODY.END QUOTE.

3. EMBASSY SHOULD DRAW ON NOTE AS NECESSARY IF THE OCCASION AGAIN ARISE".

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